

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR
THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI**

JO LEVITT,)
)
Plaintiff,)
) Case No. 4:06-cv-00818-DW
v.)
)
MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP.,)
)
Defendant.)

**DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE
CAUSATION OPINION OF DAVID EGILMAN, M.D.**

Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. moves the Court to exclude the general causation opinions of Plaintiff's expert Dr. David Egilman, who intends to opine that Vioxx is causally associated with an increased incidence of unstable angina. The opinion is methodologically unreliable and unsound, and it must therefore be excluded under Rule 702 of the Federal Rules of Evidence.

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